(2) THE MADRAS WEIGHTS AND MEASURES BILL, 1947
(L.C. BILL NO. 2 OF 1948).

* THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" Sir, I move—

'*that the following seven members of this House be nominated to the joint select committee appointed to consider the Madras Weights and Measures Bill, 1947 (L.C. Bill No. 2 of 1948)* :—

(1) *Sri M. Sudarsanam.*

(2) *Sri K. Venkataswami Nayudu.*

(3) *Mrs. Mona Hensman.*

(4) *Mr. K. T. M. Ahmed Ibrahim Sahib.*

(5) *Sri N. Venkatachalamaji.*

(6) *Sri M. K. Sundararama Ayyar.*

(7) *The Mover (the Hon. Sri K. Madhava Menon).*'

" Sir, this Bill also was first introduced in this House, and on a motion from this House to the Assembly, the Assembly has selected its members for the select committee.

" Sir, I have tried as far as possible to select in a measure dealing with the standardization of weights and measures only those who are in business to be on the select committee."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" You have taken into consideration the weight of members ! " (Laughter.)

The motion was put and carried.

(3) THE MADRAS SUPPRESSION OF DISTURBANCES BILL,[a] 1947
(L.A. BILL NO. 5 OF 1948). 11-30 a.m.

* THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" Sir, I have got the permission of the Hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan to move the Bill on his behalf. I move—

'*that the Madras Suppression of Disturbances Bill,*[a] *1947, as passed by the Legislative Assembly be taken into consideration at once.*'

We are living in unusual times. The tragic happenings in the North after August 15th, have made it necessary for every Provincial Government in India to take certain special powers to deal with emergent situations. In view of the disturbances in other parts of the country which have led to considerable loss of life and property, this Government consider it essential to arm themselves in advance with power to suppress any disturbances with the utmost promptitude. The Bill received almost unanimous support from the other House in spite of its drastic nature. Some papers have said to-day that the Bill, though alarming, is necessary. It is not at all our intention that we will have occasion to use it. Luckily for this province, there has not been much of that trouble which disfigured the northern part of our country. Recently

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[a] Printed as Appendix II on page 112–113 infra.